

## Deng Pufang and China delegation learn about programs at Gallaudet

by Todd Byrd

A delegation from the China Fund for the Handicapped (CFH), headed by the son of the senior national leader of the People's Republic of China, visited Gallaudet Oct. 7 to learn more about educational programs for deaf people.

Deng Pufang, son of leader Deng Xiaoping, and the nine-member delegation spent three hours at Gallaudet, listening to lectures on its educational programs and touring the Model Secondary School for the Deaf and Kendall Demonstration Elementary School.

Deng, 43, has devoted his energies to raising public consciousness and developing resources and programs on behalf of China's disabled population since 1966 when he was thrown from an upper-story window at Beijing University by extremists during the Chinese Cultural Revolution. The fall left Deng paralyzed from the waist down.

Dr. Catherine Ingold, provost, and Dr. Robert Davila, vice president for Pre-College Programs, greeted the delegation and presented information about Gallaudet's programs.

At MSSD, Deng and the delegation observed a junior/senior class conduct a physics experiment, viewed two foreign deaf students with cerebral palsy practicing word recognition in the Special Opportunities Program, saw what Michael Jackson's music looks like on audiology equipment in the communications lab and watched students being fitted with hearing aids.

But Deng's poor health made it necessary for him to rest following the tour of MSSD, and he missed a presentation at KDES given by Eli Savanick, director of the International Center on Deafness, and Dr. David Martin, dean of the School of Education and Human Services.

He rejoined the group at KDES about an hour later, however, and was given a brief tour of the facility.

Deng is not bilingual and an interpreter was present to translate the information presented to the delegation.

He asked many questions during the visit, but made no comment on his impressions of Gallaudet's programs, other than to say to Mary Louise Stansfield, coordinator of the Gallaudet Visitor's Center, just before leaving KDES, that "you've managed to grab onto the things that hold the students' interests."

But one member of the delegation, Qu Degui, director of CFH's International Section, said, "I think this school is quite nice. The teaching methods and the training are very useful for deaf students."

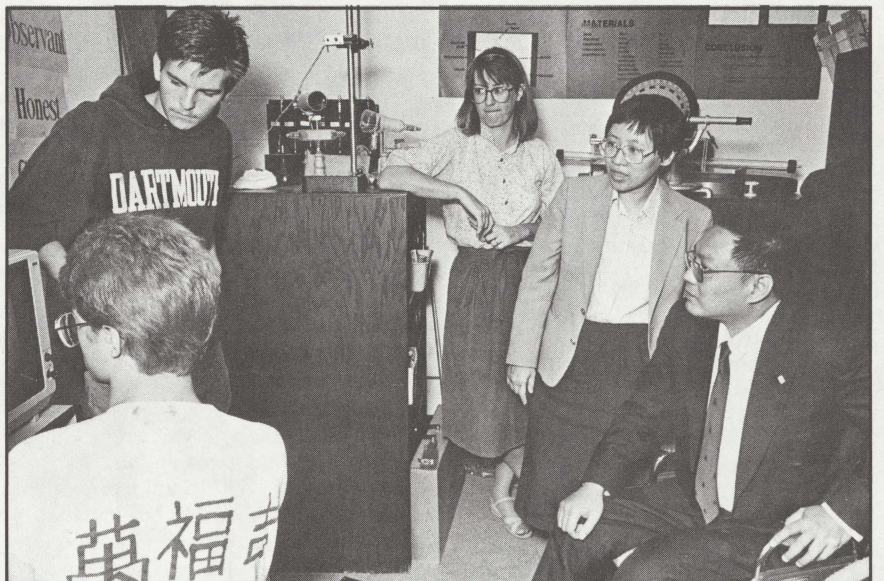
The delegation's visit represented "a developing relationship" and an "exciting opportunity" to further educational

opportunities for deaf people on an international basis, according to Ingold.

"We are very fortunate to have Mr. Deng, at his level of influence, to have the interest he has in this," she said.

The CFH representatives' goals during their three-week tour of major United States cities are to learn more about American society and to obtain an overview of social, economic, medical and educational policies and programs and facilities for disabled people in the United States.

In addition, the delegation hopes to establish strong relationships between Chinese and American communities of people with disabilities, professional institutions and leaders working with disabled people.



Deng Pufang (right) and his interpreter observe juniors Derrick Horn and Darin Frazier conducting a physics experiment at MSSD while science teacher Mary Ellsworth looks on.

## Numerous events planned to celebrate University Week

A festival for faculty and staff, a panel discussion and exhibit commemorating the 100th anniversary of women at Gallaudet, open houses, Homecoming and a gala at the Washington Convention Center are just some of the events being planned to help celebrate University Week Oct. 26-Nov. 1.

The week commemorates the first anniversary of Gallaudet's change in status from a college to a university which occurred officially last Oct. 24, 1986.

Information packets, including schedules and invitations to specific events, will be sent to faculty and staff this week.

The following is a schedule of events planned for University Week.

### Monday, Oct. 26

- Photo exhibition and sale of the works of Dr. Thomas Mayes, Ely Center Art Exhibit Room, Monday-Saturday.

The exhibition is coordinated by the College for Continuing Education and the Gallaudet University Alumni Association for the benefit of the National Captioning Institute's Caption Club.

- Mental health seminar, "Diagnostic Issues in Mental Health and Deafness," EMG Building, Room 113, 7:15-9:15 p.m. Presenters will be Dr. Barbara Brauer of Gallaudet's Center for Studies in Education and Human Development; and Dr. Bruce Heller, Dr. William Evans and Holly Elliott of the University of California, San Francisco Center on Deafness. The seminar is cosponsored by the Gallaudet Research Institute (GRI) and the UC Center on Deafness. Attendance is limited. Contact GRI, x5400, for reservations.

### Tuesday, Oct. 27

- On-campus open house day. Open houses at American Athletic Association Hall of Fame, Chapel Hall east wing, 1-3 p.m.; Gallaudet Museum, Chapel Hall east wing, 1:30-3:30 p.m.;

Audiology Department's Speech-Language Clinic, Diagnostic Clinic, Aural Rehabilitation Therapy and Assistive Devices Center, Mary Thornberry Building, 2-4 p.m.; and International Center on Deafness, Ballard House, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, Oct. 28

- Collegiate Faculty Luncheon, Hughes Gym, 12-1:30 p.m. The keynote speaker is Dr. Oliver Sacks, neuropsychologist and author of several books including *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat*. (By invitation only.)

### Thursday, Oct. 29

- University Festival, Olmsted Green, 3-6 p.m. Faculty and staff will celebrate the first anniversary of university status with dancing, music of a live band, food and drink. The event replaces the faculty/staff picnic, which was not held as usual this past summer because of

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## Women students gain acceptance

Editor's Note: This is the third and final part of a series exploring the entrance of women into Gallaudet.

by Carolyn Jones

Years after the first entrance of women students into compulsory chapel services in 1887, Joseph Schuyler Long wrote the following:

*I was among the group of students who resented this invasion of their stronghold, and was outspoken in my opposition. I let the world know that I was not interested in co-eds. But Fate took hold of things. On the opening morning, coldly indifferent, but somewhat curious, I sat in my accustomed place in chapel and watched the six candidates file in. Then*

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This photograph of women students at Gallaudet was taken in the spring of 1880.

Gallaudet Archives Photo



# University Week activities planned

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fiscal restraints. (By invitation only.)

- Gallaudet Women's Centennial," a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the admittance of women to Gallaudet's undergraduate program. Panel discussion, Ely Auditorium, 7:30-9:15 p.m. The panel will feature four deaf Gallaudet women alumnae and four hearing women from Washington-area women's groups. They will discuss the emergence, achievements and societal changes of Gallaudet women, and women in general, since 1887. A round-table discussion, with audience participation, will follow.
- Pep rally, Field House, 7:30 p.m.

## Friday, Oct. 30

- Gallaudet University Board of Trustees meeting.
- Council of Deans reception for opening of the "Gallaudet Women's Centennial Exhibit," Chapel Hall, 2:30 p.m.
- Chesapeake Women's Athletic Conference volleyball tournament, Field House, Oct. 30 at 3 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 31 at 9 a.m.
- Football game, MSSD vs. Riverdale Baptist, Hotchkiss Field, 3 p.m.
- Alumni pre-game celebration, "Ole Jim," 8 p.m.-1 a.m. The celebration features a cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, music and dancing. Admission is \$3.

## Saturday, Oct. 31

- Laurent Clerc bust dedication, Fowler Hall (mall side), 10:30 a.m. The Gallaudet University Alumni Association, through its Laurent Clerc Cultural Fund, is presenting a bust of Laurent Clerc, first deaf teacher of deaf students in America, to Gallaudet to commemorate its change to university status.
- Soccer, Gallaudet vs. Lincoln University, Gallaudet soccer field, 11 a.m.
- Homecoming football game, Gallaudet vs. Wesley College, Hotchkiss Field, 1:30 p.m. Free admission.
- Post-game bash, "Ole Jim," 4 p.m.-1 a.m. Features cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing and entertainment. Admission is \$5.
- University Gala, Washington Convention Center, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Features cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing. Admission is \$25 single and \$45 per couple. Tickets can be obtained through the President's Office. Black tie optional.

## Sunday, Nov. 1

- Silver Anniversary brunch for Class of 1962, "Ole Jim," 10 a.m. Reservations are required.



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Members of the National Trust for Historic Preservation toured Gallaudet's 18-acre historic district Oct. 9 as part of their annual national conference. Sherry Duhon (right), assistant coordinator for Pre-College Programs for the Visitors Center, is shown giving 46 visitors a tour of House 1.

# 'Don't Take Any Aprons to Gallaudet'

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*the world changed. I sat up and took notice. I had seen something. In the line was a petite miss, with a long braid of golden hair hanging down her back. She was the sweetest little thing I had ever seen, and I forgot everything else and had eyes for none but her. . . . I took back, abjectly, everything I had said or thought against co-eds.*

On Jan. 18, 1890, Long married his "petite miss," Ella Black. but his experience of first rejecting and then accepting women students was typical, though in varying degrees, of many of the men students.

Such rejection did not last long, and the women were soon accepted as a daily part of campus life. They were given no special "ladies' course" but were expected to participate in the regular curriculum. Grades were publicly posted, and it was noted that the women made their fair share of good marks.

While they were living in the president's home and, after the autumn of 1889, in the primary school dormitory, women students could not receive individual male callers. Neither could they leave campus without being accompanied by other women students

or an approved chaperon until 1894.

But their social life was quite full. They automatically received invitations to every party on Kendall Green, helped the faculty wives receive at open houses and attended formal dances. The women themselves gave their first party in February 1892; their guests were entertained with word games and served ice cream and cake. After the guests left at a respectable 10 p.m., all deemed the party a success.

Athletic activities were encouraged, but there were limits. "Ole Jim" was reserved for exclusive use by female students for one hour each weekday. Walking and lawn tennis were also favorite pastimes, but men students could not join them in this sport.

The women watched their first football game on Christmas morning, 1889, and became enthusiastic team supporters. In the following autumn of 1890, they knitted football caps for the team to wear in games.

The Literary Society remained closed to the women even though the men asked the faculty, again and again, for permission for the women to join. Finally, the women formed their own group, the O.W.L.S., in January 1892.

As with the "Lit," the women's organization generally met in secret, with an occasional public meeting. In the open meetings, programs of various dramatic works were presented.

At the end of the two-year probation period, no formal announcement was made about the women continuing to be accepted at Gallaudet. The whole matter was handled quietly and rather routinely, with new women applicants being considered and enrolled students making plans to return or not.

Margaret McGinnis, Georgia Elliott and Margaret Rudd left the college after 1889. Of the other women, only two would eventually graduate. Rosa Halpen stayed one more year and then returned to her teaching position in New York. Ida Sartain and Lulu Herdman withdrew due to illnesses, the first at the end of her freshman year and the second at the end of her junior year.

Alto Lowman became, in 1892, the "first female graduate." She spoke of her "painful duty to bid farewell to the O.W.L.S." and received equally emotional farewells and tribute in return.

In 1892, Agatha Tiegel was the second woman to graduate from Gallaudet. In her last speech to the O.W.L.S., she urged that "no girl apply for admission here unless she does so with a high purpose and a steadfast will to uphold it—and then let her come, and she will win success and honor."

# TEDI looking for volunteers

The new telephone/TDD relay system on campus run by TEDI (Telecommunications Exchange for the Deaf, Inc.) is already handling many calls for faculty and staff.

But volunteers are needed to give two or three hours a week between 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Friday, according to Esther Schaeffer, TEDI founder and president.

Volunteers are trained to use TDD equipment and scheduled for times that are convenient for them. Campus employees may want to volunteer before or after work, and students in sign classes and others interested in the deaf community may also want to help.

Volunteers are what has made TEDI a successful service, said Schaeffer, and contrary to the item that appeared in the Sept. 28 *On the Green*, the Gallaudet office depends on volunteers, not hired help.

However, there is an opening for one paid staff supervisor, a position that could be split between two people working part-time.

Anyone interested in volunteering or in the staff position can call the TEDI office, x5787, or TEDI headquarters, 759-2993.

# Announcements

The Gallaudet University Alumni Association (GUAA) 1989 Reunion Planning Committee will honor Dr. Yarker Andersson with a "roast" on Nov. 14 in the "Ole Jim." Happy hour will begin at 5 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 6 and the "roasting" ceremony at 7:30. Tickets are \$20, and proceeds will go to the National Association of the Deaf Special Fund for the World Federation of the Deaf delegates. Checks and money orders should be sent by Nov. 1 to Robert Bergan, MSSD, or 5505 Lambeth Rd., Bethesda, MD 20814. For more information, contact Marianne Sasseen, x5031 (V) or x5636 (TDD).

# Classified Ads

**FOR SALE:** Print-A-Call-40 answering machine, call 543-2331 (TDD).

**FOR SALE:** Queen-sized bed frame and mattress, \$100. Call Vicki, x5270 or 439-4921 eves.

**WANTED:** Nonsmoking roommate to share 3-BR house in Takoma Park area near New Hampshire Ave., \$275/mo. plus 1/3 util. Call Vicki, x5270 or 439-4921 eves.

**FOR RENT:** Unfurnished bedroom w/ private bath, kitchen priv., no pets/smoking, Mitchellville area, \$350/mo. Call Wade, 345-5430 (V).

**WANTED:** Used musical instruments for Gallaudet's Music Program. Call Diane Merchant, x5470 or bring to HMB, Room 161.

**FOR SALE:** American Colonial dining table and chairs, \$75; 13-in. color TV, \$25; freezer chest, 22 cu. ft., \$20. Call Keller, x5140.

**FOR SALE:** '77 Ford Granada, 4-dr., AC, new brakes, shocks and carburetor, needs engine overhaul, \$650/BO. Call 398-3206 (V/TDD) eves. and weekends.

**FOR SALE:** Antique brass twin bed w/original springs, good cond., \$200/BO. Call x5030 or 622-2543 eves.

**FOR RENT:** Large, private bedroom in 3-BR house in Rockville, Md., 2 baths, W/D, TDD, captioned cable TV, fireplace, share kitchen w/2 males, 1 female. Contact David, P.O. Box 2678.

**FOR SALE:** New Timex Sinclair 1000 Computer, Module 1016 w/Budgeter, Money Analyzer, and Gambler programs, \$160; new Bentley 8 movie camera and projector, \$150; new Colonial 35mm camera w/electronic flash, \$40. Call x7586 or 292-0051.

**FOR SALE:** UNICEF cards, proceeds go to UNICEF. Call Bruce White, x5581, HMB, Room 213B, best times are MWF, 3-4 p.m.

# Job Openings

**Some of the advertised positions may already be filled.** The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or 5359 (TDD).

**RESEARCH TECHNICIAN:** Center for Studies in Education and Human Development (CSEHD), Infancy Research Group

**RESEACH TECHNICIAN:** CSEHD, Disability and Rehabilitation Group

**RESEARCH SCIENTIST I:** CSEHD

**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I:** CSEHD,

Maternal and Child Health Group

**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I:** CSEHD, Dis-

ability and Rehabilitation Group

**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I/WRITING**

**COMPOSITION SPECIALIST:** CSEHD

**CUSTODIAN/FLOOR MAINTENANCE:**

Physical Plant Department, NWC

**FACILITIES SUPPORT STAFF**

**ASSISTANT:** Business Services

**GROUPS MECHANIC:** Physical Plant

Department

**DIRECTOR OF SUPPORT SERVICES:**

College for Continuing Education

**NURSE PRACTITIONER:** Student Health

Services

**OUTREACH SUPERVISOR:** College for

Continuing Education

**FACULTY POSITION:** Department of

Sign Communication